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**MARIJUANA AND CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE TAX DISPUTE RESOLVED**

**FRANKFORT, KY (February 8, 2001)** – The Revenue Cabinet and Charles Thomas have agreed to resolve their marijuana and controlled substance tax dispute. Thomas had filed suit in the Franklin Circuit Court over whether he must pay the tax or post a cash bond in the amount of the tax assessed to him. Thomas will be permitted to contest his assessment through the usual procedure allowed by law—i.e., protest to the Cabinet and then, if necessary, appeal to the Kentucky Board of Tax Appeals and then to the courts—without paying the tax or posting a cash bond in the amount of the assessment. The current court case will be dismissed by agreed order of the parties.